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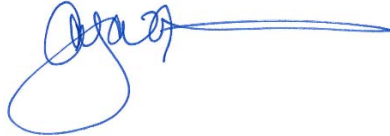
Marisa Lago, Director  
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Dear Director Lago,

The Municipal Art Society of New York (MAS) shares the concerns raised by the Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation (GVSHIP) and others regarding the recent trend of out-of-scale developments along 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues, Broadway and University Place. These corridors provide a needed transition between Union Square, the Greenwich Village Historic District to the south, and Ladies' Mile Historic District to the north.

Accordingly, we urge the City to protect the nearby corridors from development that is likely to change the character of the neighborhood. MAS supports a rezoning that provides contextual protections to limit the scale of new commercial developments, implement Mandatory Inclusionary Housing, and restrict the proliferation of hotels and dormitories that have eroded traditional residential uses along 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues, Broadway, and University Place.

Sincerely,



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President